

Page 8, line 23, after "module" insert -- 102 --;

Page 10, line 12, delete "pilot" and insert -- buffer management --;

Page 12, line 21, delete "pilot" and insert -- buffer management --, and
line 38, delete "pilot" and insert -- buffer management --.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1.(AMENDED) Conditional access system decoder [(9)] comprising:

- at least one device [(12)] intended to read and/or to write data from/to a detachable security element [(10)] supplied by a service provider;
 - filters [(11)] intended to select at least one message [(EMM)] for managing entitlements which a user possesses with regard to a service supplied by said provider from among a data stream [(TS)] received;
- [characterized in that] wherein it comprises:

means for selecting an entitlement management message [(EMM)] intended for a detachable security element when said security element is not inserted in the decoder; and

means [(14)] for storing said entitlement management message.

2.(AMENDED) Decoder according to Claim 1, furthermore comprising:

- an access control module [(CA)] capable of:
 - a) receiving an identification parameter [(AD)] contained in a security element [(10)] inserted into said decoder;
 - b) installing a filter configuration [(C1, C2)] as a function of the identification parameter [(AD)] received in such a way as to select an entitlement management message [(EMM)] intended for said inserted security element [(10)]; and
 - c) transmitting said message [(EMM)] to said inserted security element;
- [characterized in that] wherein it comprises:
- a module for storing entitlements [(MD)] capable of:
 - i) storing said configuration of filters [(C1, C2)] which is installed by the access control module [(CA)];
 - ii) reinstalling, following the erasure of the configuration of filters consequent upon the removal of said security element, the stored configuration of filters which is

appropriate to said security element, in such a way as to select an entitlement management message [(EMM)] intended for said security element when the latter is removed; and

iii) storing said message [(EMM)] in a memory [(14)] of said decoder.

3.(AMENDED) Decoder according to Claim 2, in which the module for storing entitlements [(MD)] is furthermore capable of:

- iv) detecting the insertion of a security element into said decoder;
- v) verifying whether an entitlement management message [(EMM)] intended for said inserted security element is stored in the memory [(14)] of the decoder; and
- vi) should verification be positive, transmitting said stored message [(EMM)] to said inserted security element.

4.(AMENDED) Decoder according to Claim 3, in which the module for storing entitlements [(MD)] detects the insertion of a security element [(10)] into the decoder by recording any new installing of configuration of filters by the access control module [(CA)].

5.(AMENDED) Decoder according to [one of Claims 1 to 4] Claim 1, in which the detachable security element [(10)] is a smart card.

6.(AMENDED) Decoder according to Claim 5, in which the identification parameter [(AD)] contained in the security element is the address of the smart card.

7.(AMENDED) Method of processing a message [(EMM)] for managing entitlements which a user possesses with regard to a service, said method comprising the steps consisting in:

- inserting a detachable security element [(10)] into a decoder [(9)];
- recovering [(A3, A4)] from said security element an identification parameter [(AD)];
- installing [(A5)] a configuration of filter of the decoder as a function of said identification parameter [(AD)] in such a way as to select an entitlement management message [(EMM)] intended for said inserted security element;